

WHAT TERMS ARE USED IN THE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY?

Designated Structures and Sites

- NR Listed on the National Register of Historic Places
- SL State Landmark
- CL City Landmark

Significant Structures and Sites

- ENR Eligible for National Register Listing
- CCL Candidate City Landmark
- CS Contributing Structure
- SM Structure of Merit
- IS Identified Structure

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WHAT IS THE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY?

The Historic Resources Inventory is a list of over 2,100 structures, sites, and districts which have varying degrees of historic significance. Arranged by street name and number, each entry is followed by a plus (+) if a State Historic Resources Inventory Form is on file with the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement. It is then followed by a designation as a City, State, or National landmark, or a notation as a significant structure or site. The entry concludes with an Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) and a brief description of the historic resource.

HOW IS THE HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY USED?

In addition to serving as a foundation for future designation of City Landmarks or Historic Districts, the Historic Resources Inventory is used as a reference guide for land use and development planning. It identifies historic and architectural resources which receive careful consideration during the development review process. In this way, it is used to consider the environmental effects of proposed development, demolition, and building alteration on historic resources. The Historic Resources Inventory may also be used to encourage development which is compatible with an historic resource.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY PROPERTY IS LISTED ON THE INVENTORY?

To determine if your property is listed on the Inventory, you may call the Development Services Center at (408) 535-3555. You should have your property address and APN available.

COULD MY PROPERTY BE HISTORIC IF IT IS NOT LISTED ON THE INVENTORY?

Yes. The Inventory does not contain a complete list of every historic resource in the City. Many properties have not been formally surveyed. Therefore, an unlisted property may have historic significance. The Inventory is a working document that is continually updated and revised.

WHAT REGULATIONS APPLY TO MY PROPERTY IF IT IS LISTED ON THE INVENTORY?

In addition to applicable Zoning regulations, an Historic Preservation (HP) Permit is required for exterior changes on property which is listed on the Inventory as either a City Landmark, or a City Landmark Historic District. In addition, proposed development on, or adjacent to, sites listed in the Inventory may be referred to the Historic Landmarks Commission for review and comment.

ARE THERE ANY ADVANTAGES TO BEING LISTED ON THE INVENTORY?

A listing on the Inventory allows property owners to utilize the State of California Historic Building Code (SHBC). In some instances, the SHBC may be more flexible than the Uniform Building Code. The SHBC may facilitate restoration or accommodate a change of occupancy in order to preserve the original, or restored architectural elements of an historic structure. For more information regarding the SHBC, contact the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement.

HOW CAN MY PROPERTY BE ADDED TO, OR DELETED FROM, THE INVENTORY?

Any district, site, building, structure, or object may be either added to, or deleted from, the Historic Resources Inventory. A property owner may file a written request with the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement. The request should include the address, APN, a photograph of the historic resource, and written reasons to support the request. The Historic Preservation Officer will review the request, and make a recommendation to the Historic Landmarks Commission for their final determination.